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[Company seeking to donate free pipe to Flint has troubled legal past](#)

By Jiquanda Johnson, MLIVE 08/22/16 6:23 PM

A company seeking to supply plastic pipes for Flint's infrastructure replacement has caught media attention for their shaky legal past. According to an Aug. 21 article by Crain's Detroit Business, JM Eagle, Inc., the company wanting to give the city free polyethylene pipe to replace infrastructure at Flint homes, has paid out an estimated \$22.5 million in settlements to more than 75 government agencies. Representatives from the Los Angeles-based firm visited Flint in February to offer free pipe to Flint during a Flint City Council meeting.

Donations & Aid

[Morris Peterson hosting free back to school giveaway in Flint](#)

By Eric Woodyard, MLIVE 08/22/16 3:32 PM

Parents in Flint don't have to worry about purchasing school supplies this year. Former Michigan State basketball star Morris Peterson is hosting a free back to school giveaway event on Saturday, Aug. 27. The Morris Peterson Jr. Foundation has partnered with St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church, United Way of Genesee County, Tata Technologies, the Michigan Dental Association and Krave Marketing to run the event.

Back packs & school supplies for Flint children

By Steve Carmody, Michigan Radio 08/21/16

More than a thousand backpacks are on their way to Flint school children. This past week, volunteers unloaded a moving van filled with backpacks. Rhetta Hunyady, with the Flint and Genesee Chamber of Commerce, says they want to get these much-needed school supplies into the hands of children whose parents might not otherwise be able to afford to buy them what they need for school. "And to let Flint kids know that people here in our community and outside of our community really care about who they are and helping them to be successful," says Hunyady.

Other News & Opinions

Flint residents to receive letters about elevated lead

By Matthew Dolan, Detroit Free Press 08/22/16 5:21 PM

Flint water customers soon will receive written notice that an increased level of lead had been found in water samples taken earlier this year, but state officials said the alerts do not represent an escalation of the city's long-running drinking water crisis. City officials said the lead tap sampling from January through June taken in areas identified as high risk showed a lead value in the 90th percentile of 20 parts per billion. That finding exceeds the federal action level of 15 parts per billion under the Lead and Copper Rule, officials said.

Fixing Flint crisis means less politics, more unity

By Rochelle Riley, Detroit Free Press 08/21/16 10:16 AM

It must be said. We have spent months and months righteously tearing Gov. Rick Snyder a new one for allowing the Flint water crisis to happen on his watch, for ignoring the concerns and complaints of residents and legislators and scientists for more than two years. He even ignored concerns raised during a quadrant meeting of the Big Four, our top legislators, the Senate and House leaders, where the main topic was roads.

Next step comes in September for all eight charged in Flint water crisis

By Ron Fonger, MLIVE 08/22/16 3:23 PM

All eight current and former state employees charged with criminal wrongdoing in the Flint water crisis are on track for a consolidated preliminary exam after two appearances set for Monday, Aug. 22, were taken off the docket in Genesee District Court. Special prosecutors and attorneys for the employees of the Department of Environmental Quality and Department of Health and Human Services are scheduled to meet for a conference in advance of a combined exam on Sept. 7, according to court records.

Michigan Taxpayers Get A \$5 Million Bill Defending Governor In Flint Water Case

By Chris White, Daily Caller, 08/22/16 12:46 PM

Michigan taxpayers are getting stuck with a \$5 million bill for defending state officials in the Flint water crisis. Republican Gov. Rick Snyder will announce Aug. 30 he is increasing financial caps on contracts to law firms representing him in the Flint water crisis. Taxpayers will cover the expense of \$3.4 million in billings. The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and Department of Health and Human Services representatives have spent an additional \$1.6 million for lawyer fees.

Flint water case could hinge in part on misconduct charges

By David Eggert AP for Click on Detroit 08/22/16 10:33 AM

The prosecution of current and former state of Michigan employees for their role in Flint's lead-contaminated water crisis likely will face an early test over whether one of the most serious charges can even be levied against the middle- and lower-level government officials. All eight workers charged so far, five from the Department of Environmental Quality and three with the Department of Health and Human Services, face a misconduct in office charge — a felony that can carry a five-year prison term. The cases are in the early stages of prosecution. But there is no statute clearly defining official misconduct. Rather, it is a common law offense based on judicial decisions and a doctrine whose origins trace back centuries to England.

This app for iOS will help you easily test your water for lead

By Kyle Wiggers, Digital Trends 08/22/16 12:00 PM

Unwittingly drinking contaminated water is an awful thought, and one that'll thankfully never

become a reality for most people. But it's a nightmare that residents of Flint, Michigan, endured for months when local government officials, eager to trim the beleaguered region's costs, switched the metro's water source from Lake Huron to the Flint River. The stream proved highly corrosive to Flint's aging service lines, many of which contained lead, and resulted in predictable tragedy: residents and their children were exposed to dangerous chemicals that resulted in skin lesions, vision and hair loss, depression and anxiety, and, in severe cases, permanent neurological damage.

Indiana complex's lead woes may mirror Flint's water crisis: lawmaker

By CBS News 08/22/16 5:59 AM

More than 1,000 residents of a northwest Indiana public housing complex have been in a state of panic and uncertainty since authorities informed them last month that their homes must be destroyed because of serious lead contamination. A warning this summer not to allow children to play in the dirt and to wash toys because the soil is soaked with hazardous levels of lead and arsenic was the first many residents of the low income complex had heard about plans to remove tainted soil dating back to at least 2012.

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